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SU: HUNGARIAN AMBASSADOR TO IVORY COAST PRESENT CREDENTIALS

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1. FIRST HUNGARIAN AMBASSADOR TO IVORY COAST, LASLO HARS, PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS TO GOIC PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET BOIGNY JULY 13. IN HIS PRESENTATION SPEECH, HARS NOTED THAT HUNGARY WAS A SOCIALIST COUNTRY WHICH FAOVED PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE WITH ALL COUNTRIES INCLUDING THOSE WHICH HAD CHOSEN DIFFERENT SOCIAL SYSTEMS. IN RESPONSE HOUPHOUET NOTED THE HEROIC BATTLE OF HUNGARIANS THROUGH HISTORY FOR THIER INDEPENDENCE AND ADDED THAT THE BATTLE NOW WAS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF ALL COUNTRIES, WHETHER SOCIALIST, OR CAPITALIST, IN A TIME OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY INFLATION. HOUPHOUET ADDED THAT THE POLICY OF HUNGARY OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION AMONG ALL COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THOSE WHICH HAVE CHOSE DIFFERENT PATHS, WAS EXACTLY THE PHILOEPHY OF THE IVORY COAST. HE CONCLUDED THAT FOR THIS REASON IVORY COAST WAS FUNDAMENTALLY OPPOSED TO INTERFERENCE OF WHATEVER KIND (IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES).

2. AS NOTED REFTTEL, HARS WILL RESIDENT IN ACCRA.

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3. COMMENT: HOUPHOUET'S CLEAR SIGNAL TO THE FIRST HUNGARIAN AMBASSADOR ABOUT NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS REFLECTS THE SUSPICION WHICH HOUPHOUET HAS ABOUT COMMUNIST INTENTIONS IN AFRICA. THE SAME NOT OF CAUTION WAS EVIDENT IN TELEVISION COVERAGE OF THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY IN WHICH THE COMMENTATOR REMARKED THAT IVORY COAST WAS READY TO DEAL WITH ALL STATES WHICH RECOGNIZE THE PRINCIPLE OF SOVEREIGNTY AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS. AS A FOOTNOTE TO THE UNFAMILIARITY OF THE IVORIANS CONCERNING HUNGARIAN AFFAIRS, THE PHOTO ON THE FRONT PAGE OF FRATERNITE MATIN SHOWING HARS PRESENTING HIS CREDENTIALS TO HOUPHOUET BOIGNY IDENTIFIED THE HUNGARIAN AMBASSADOR AS PAL CASONCZI (SIC).
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